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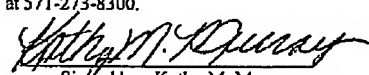
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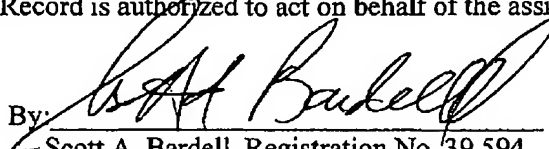
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<u>U.S. Serial No.</u>	<u>First Named Inventor</u>	<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
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NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, CUNO INCORPORATED does hereby assign and transfer to 3M Innovative Properties Company, and its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified patents, including all reissues, divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, and extensions and foreign counterparts thereof, to be held and enjoyed by 3M Innovative Properties Company as fully and entirely as it would have been held and enjoyed by CUNO INCORPORATED if this assignment had not been made, including all claims, demands and right of recovery that 3M Innovative Properties Company has or may have in profits and damages for past and future infringement, if any, and all rights to compromise, sue for, and collect such profits and damages.

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